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1. Armastav, a new branch of the Czechoslovak Building Works (CsSZ), which was established in the beginning of 1951 to build military objects, is directly subordinated to the Ministry of Czechoslovak Building Industry. The central management of Armastav is in Prague and branches have been established in Pilsen, Karlovy Vary and Ceske Budejovice. The office of the regional management is in Pilsen.
2. Armastav-Pilsen employs about 1,400 workers of whom 900-1,000 are soldiers of PTP (Auxiliary Technical Battalions) and about 400 are civilians.
3. The buildings in the Pilsen region are under the supervision of the KVV (Regional Military Headquarters).
4. The following new buildings have been constructed by Armastav:
 - a. Two brick garages with tarpaper roofs, dimensions about 80 x 8 m. each, for military trucks in Pilsen-Bory.
 - b. Five houses with white walls and red roofs for married officers. Dimensions about 27 x 8.5 x 7 m.
 - c. Three two-story buildings with white walls and red roofs for single officers of the Czechoslovak Army. Dimensions about 22 x 8.5 x 10 m.
 - d. Two hangars, finished in July 1951, on the military airfield of Pilsen.
 - e. A radar station, finished in July 1951, on the top of the Prana Mountain, the highest peak of the Brdy mountain range. The windows are secured by shutters with loopholes and the whole project, consisting of an unknown number of buildings, is in a deep wood surrounded by a double barbed-wire fence and guarded by a military guard unit of about 30 men.
 - f. Barracks, started in June 1951, near the railway station in Janovice (coordinates unknown). The work is under the direction of Armastav-Pilsen.

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5. The following is a partial list of leading personnel at Armastav:

Building Supervisor, Pilsen	Capt. Peterka, age 48-50. He is from the KVV Pilsen.
Building Supervisor of Living Quarters, Pilsen-Bory	1st Lt. Frantisek Hanzlik, age 26; officer in reserve, called in beginning of 1951 for an additional service of three years; anti-Communist.
Deputy	Ladislav Hieke, a soldier, who joined the army in October 1950.
Manager, Pilsen, Karlovy Vary, and C. Budejovice Regions	Tomsik, age 30; an ardent career Communist.
Workshop Manager, Pilsen	Josef Kreis, age 40; a career Communist; former building superintendent.
Political Secretary	Kral, age 45; Communist.
Building Superintendent, Radar Station, Strasice	Josef Albl, age 45; an ardent Communist.
Security Officer	Panek, age 45; Communist.
Comptroller	Prazak, age 30; anti-Communist.

Enclosure: Survey of objects in Pilsen.

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